1951, subject to certain locational restrictions. As such, approval of the Union Government for Industrial Licence is required only if the project is proposed to be located within 25 kms. from the periphery of the standard urban area limits of a city having a population of more than 10 lakhs according to the 1991 Census and is also not located within the areas designated as industrial area by State Government before July 25, 1991:

(ii) the iron & steel industry has been included in the list of high priority industries where there is a provision for automatic approval for foreign equity investment upto 51% provided that the foreign equity covers the cost of imported capital goods;

(iii) price & distribution controls have also been removed from January, 1992 with a view to make the industry more competitive and responsive to market forces;

(iv) the trade policy has been liberalised, import of steel melting scrap, semis, etc. has been decanalised, import duties have also been reduced and export of iron & steel is now freely allowed.

Calcium Fertilizer in Bihar

1899. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Banana, Sugarcane, Maize and Potatoes are being cultivatd in vast areas of Bihar:

(b) whether it is also a fact that calcium fertilizers are the most needed fertilizers for these crops;

(c) if so, the quantity of calcium fertilizers being produced in that State and in which factories; and

(d) whether Government propose to set up fertilizer plants in the State for producing calcium fertilizers in areas where its requirement is more?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV) : (a) The area under banana, sugarcane, maize and potato in Bihar during 1992-93 is given below:

Crop	Area (lakh ha.)
Banana	0.24
Potatoes	3.40
Sugarcane	1.30
Maize	7.00

(b) The requirement of calcium in case of sugarcane and potatoes is mainly met from the soils which invariably contain calcium carbonate. There is thus no need to apply calcium fertilizer (gypsum/lime). A part of the calcium requirement is met through application of Single Superphosphate. No special recommendation is made for application of calcium fertilizer for maize and banana crops.

(c) M/s. Pyrites, Phosphates & Chemicals Limited have produced 1.01 lakh tonnes of Single Superphosphate during the period April-November, 1995. Two other units located in Bihar, namely M/s. Ranjan Chemicals and M/s. Srikrishna Fertilizers. have reported production and sale of Single Superphosphate to Department of Agriulture & Cooperation.

(d) There is no proposal with the Government to set up fertilizer plants in the state for producing calcium fertilizers.

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1900. **श्री दलीप सिंह जूदेव** : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने विश्व बैंक की